

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re patent application of:

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For: **Process for the Production of  
L-Amino Acids Using Strains of the  
Enterobacteriaceae Family**

Art Unit: 1656

Examiner: Alexander Kim

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**Notice of Appeal**

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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the last decision of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims in the above-captioned application. All of the rejected claims are appealed. The Office Action containing the final rejection of claims was dated June 12, 2007. In an Advisory Action mailed October 22, 2007, the Examiner indicated that the claims that remain rejected are 21-26. Therefore these are the claims now appealed.

The fee in the amount of \$510.00 for filing this Notice of Appeal may be charged to our Deposit Account 50-4056 under order number 7909/81000. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency with respect to this filing and any other fee required in connection with the present case, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 50-4056 under Order No. 7909/81000.

Respectfully submitted,

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